

as the "CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building," and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

The text of the Senate bill is as follows:

S. 3241

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CEECEE ROSS LYLES POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1717 Orange Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida, shall be known and designated as the "CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building".

The Senate bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

MURPHY A. TANNEHILL POST OFFICE BUILDING

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 3511) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2150 East Hardtner Drive in Urania, Louisiana, as the "Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building," and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 3511

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. MURPHY A. TANNEHILL POST OFFICE BUILDING.

(a) DESIGNATION.—The facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2150 East Hardtner Drive in Urania, Louisiana, shall be known and designated as the "Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building".

(b) REFERENCES.—Any reference in a law, map, regulation, document, paper, or other record of the United States to the facility referred to in subsection (a) shall be deemed to be a reference to the "Murphy A. Tannehill Post Office Building".

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CELEBRATING THE 232ND ANNIVERSARY OF THE SIGNING OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on Oversight and Government Reform be discharged from further consideration of the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 386) to recognize and celebrate the "232nd Anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence," and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

The text of the concurrent resolution is as follows:

H. CON. RES. 386

Whereas the text of the Declaration of Independence was adopted by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776, and the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence was signed by most of the delegates in the Second Continental Congress on August 2, 1776;

Whereas August 2, 2008, marks the 232d anniversary of the signing of the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence;

Whereas the signing of the Declaration of Independence marked the formal dissolution of the ties of the thirteen American colonies with Great Britain, the beginning of their statehood and national identity, and the dawning of a new era of freedom in America and the world;

Whereas these Founding Fathers, relying on the direction from and protection of Divine Providence, pledged to each other their lives, their fortunes, and their Sacred honor in defense of this action;

Whereas the Declaration of Independence paved the way for the birth of the Republic;

Whereas the Declaration of Independence has become part of the national culture, and its principles are part of the consciousness of all Americans;

Whereas the fundamental genius of the United States is embodied in the Declaration's recognition that "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness";

Whereas the principle that the rights of man are bestowed by the Creator and are unalienable was derived from Scripture, which antedates the existence from any government;

Whereas the Declaration of Independence affirms that governments are instituted to protect those rights; and

Whereas the Declaration acknowledged these self-evident Truths, which constituted one of the most revolutionary philosophical developments in history and began an unparalleled national experiment: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress recognizes and celebrates the 232d anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the measures just considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. WATT) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. SPRATT, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. LYNCH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WATT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PERLMUTTER, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HOLT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. KANJORSKI, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILLS REFERRED

Bills of the Senate of the following titles were taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1193. An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust 2 parcels of Federal land for the benefit of certain Indian Pueblos in the State of New Mexico; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

S. 3341. An act to reauthorize and improve the Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 1999; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorrain C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on September 17, 2008, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill.

H.R. 5938. To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide secret service protection to former Vice Presidents, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 16 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until today, Wednesday, September 24, 2008, at 10 a.m.

JOINT EXPLANATORY STATEMENT SUBMITTED BY MR. SKELTON, CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES, REGARDING THE AMENDMENT OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO S. 3001

The Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives offers an amendment to S. 3001, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009, as received in the House on September 18, 2008. The amendment consists of an agreement between the managers of the bill in the